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TO: Minerals File

FROM: Paul B. Baker, Senior Reclamation Biologist 

RE: Telephone Calls with Buzz Rakow and Alice Rogers, JLW Resources and Magic Mountain Mining, JLW 32 and Magic Mountain Mine, S/017/042 and S/017/025, Garfield County, Utah

On November 14, 2001, I spoke with Buzz Rakow of the Bureau of Land Management in Hanksville about the referenced mines. Lewis Blackham was the Division's contact for these sites, but Buzz said he was basically an employee who wasn't really in charge of the operations (although he did sign the notice of intention for one of them). The people in charge were Claire Rogers, 2340 South Redwood Road, Salt Lake City, Utah 84119, 973-4637, and Jack Leeds who was the claimant at JLW.

At the JLW site, Buzz said the portion on BLM land has pretty much reclaimed itself, and he didn't think there was anything more they could do. There was some dirt pushed on to land owned by Orlo Durfy, 435-425-3712, who lives in Bicknell. (Buzz said Mr. Durfy was in bad health and that his wife had just died.

At the Magic Mountain site, Claire Rogers is the official claimant. There is some old disturbance, including a fairly large trench, for which the operator is not responsible. The operator should be responsible for an area next to the trench that should be the operator's responsibility. Buzz said the reclamation should be fairly simple with just a dozer or front end loader.

I called trying to reach Claire Rogers, and, as I recall now about one and one half years later, he was fairly old, ill, and not able to speak with me (I'm not certain this recollection is correct). On November 29, 2001, I spoke by telephone with Alice Rogers. Although the company is out of business, she is not wanting to reclaim the site because there's still a chance the could get the extraction process to work and want to mine. I put in my notes of the conversation that she said she dropped the claims because the fees were too high.

I suggest we should begin sending statements to Claire Rogers and should continue to contact Alice Rogers about the status of these sites.